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PROBLEM REGARDING MISUSE OF RIM-LOCK TRADEMARK

AND DESIGNS FOR DENTAL DEVICE

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1. EMBOFF HAS DISCUSSED SUBJECT MATTER WITH SENIOR OFFICIALS OF NATIONAL BUREAU OF STANDARDS AND BOARD OF FOREIGN TRADE (BOFT). BOTH OFFICIALS STATED THAT NEW ROC TRADEMARK LAW STIPULATES THAT ANY FOREIGN NATIONAL WHO WANTS TO PROTECT RIGHT OF EXCLUSIVE USE OF A TRADEMARK, SHALL APPLY FOR REGISTRATION IN ACCORDANCE WITH THIS LAW. AS DENTSPLY INTERNATIONAL INC. HAS NOT REGISTERED ITS RIM-LOCK TRADEMARK WITH GROC, LOCAL OFFICIALS CANNOT SUBMIT CASE BEFORE LOCAL COURTS. HOWEVER, BOFT OFFICIALS HAVE ADVISED EMBASSY THAT IT WILL BRING PRESSURE TO BEAR ON ATLAS INDUSTRY COMPANY, LTD. NOT TO MANUFACTURE AND EXPORT DENTAL DEVICES OF RIM-LOCK TRADEMARK. ALTHOUGH BOFT CANNOT LEGALLY STOP THE MANUFACTURING OF ATLAS' PRODUCTS, IT CAN THREATEN TO WITHDRAW ITS EXPORT LICENSE OF THOSE PRODUCTS.

2. MEANWHILE, EMBASSY SUGGESTS THAT DENTSPLY INTERNATIONAL INC. APPLY FOR TRADEMARK REGISTRATION WITH NATIONAL BUREAU OF STANDARDS, 5TH FLOOR, 61-1 SUNGKIANG ROAD, TAIPEI, TAIWAN, ATTENTION: NING YU-FENG, DIRECTOR. APPLICATION FOR TRADEMARK REGISTRATION MAY BE ENTRUSTED TO UNCLASSIFIED

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